(c) The details of Budgetary support provided to Prasar Bharati during the last three years is as follows :—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
1997-98	71.06	650.26	721.32
1998-99	80.00	749.31	829.31
1999-2000	158.77	860.00	1018.77

Estimate regarding People seeing TV Programmes

†2520. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROAD CASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any estimate regarding the people in the country who see the programmes being telecast on the television;

(b) if so, the estimate in this regard;

(c) whether Government have formulated any scheme to extend the telecasting range;

(d) if so, the details, of the scheme; and

(e) the total amount of money estimated to be spent on the implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY) : (a) and (b) According to the estimates of Doordarshan and other Market Research Organisation, out of the estimated 18 crores homes in India nearly 7 crores homes access to programmes being telecast on the television.

(c) to (e) For further expansion of TV coverage, 310 transmitter projects (271 for DD1, 38 for DD2 and 1 for Kashir channel) are presently under implementation. Approved capital cost of these projects is Rs. 683.00 crores.

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